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Nirmala Erevelles speech, Color of Violence: Towards a transnational feminist disability studies was a fascinating and compelling lecture. She explained the repercussions of the invisibility of disability in global contexts and the implications it creates. When the Katrina disaster occurred the news programs showed the destruction of the town and hardships and struggles of the locals. Erevelles noticed that the news did not mention the enormous troubles that the disabled population had to endure through this time. The public tends to be unaware of the difficulties that the disabled population goes through, so when they are shown a glimpse of it, they are shocked. She states that we can’t hide disability when the failures of social policies are obvious and debilitating. Erevelles was very passionate about the global disregard of the disabled community.

Nirmala Evrevelles lecture was intellectually invigorating. She opened my eyes to a new perspective of the hardships of the disabled community. The global viewpoint of disability is distorted and inaccurate. The implication of this results in the hindrance of disabled people and other groups to live comfortable fulfilling lives. This topic should become more prevalent in discussions of social policy. I greatly enjoyed this lecture; she has made me realize how large this issue is and how much change is needed in the world.